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November 16, 2009

SENT VIA FAX: 818-957-0986

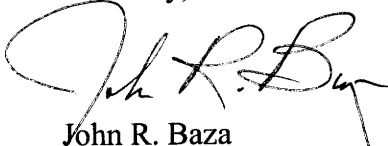
Mr. Jeffrey Field
Mrs. Shelli Field
6300 South Elkhorn Road
Panguitch, Utah 84759

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Field:

This letter is in response to your recent letter of November 16, 2009. I appreciate your concerns regarding development of the Coal Hollow Mine. The Division of Oil Gas and Mining has authority for insuring compliance with the Utah Coal Mining and Reclamation Act (Utah Code §§40-10-1 et seq.) and the regulations adopted to administer the Act (Utah Administrative Code R 645-100 et seq.). The opportunity for public comment has closed. Public comment was received as part of the review process after the application was determined to be complete. A public hearing was held and the comments received have been considered as part of the Division's process in reviewing the application.

If you wish to protest the Division's decision there is an opportunity for persons who are adversely affected by the decision to dispute the Division's decision. Affected persons have thirty days from the decision date to file a Request for Agency Action before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining. The thirty days will expire on November 18, 2009. The Request for Agency Action must follow the format as laid out in Utah Administrative Code R641-104-100 through R641-104-200. These rules require that a person seeking review of the Division's decision provide a statement stating the relief sought, and the facts and reasons for the relief requested. A copy of the rules may be downloaded from our website at <http://ogm.utah.gov/mining/Rules'n'Regs.htm>.

Sincerely,



John R. Baza
Director

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November 13, 2009

SENT VIA FAX: 801.359.3940

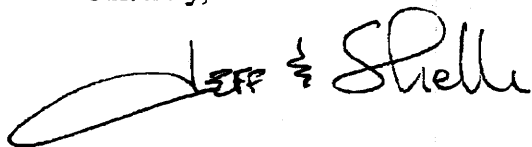
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RE: COAL HOLLOW PROJECT, C/025/005, TASK ID #3371 (~~LETTER ATTACHED~~)

To Whom It May Concern:

We would respectfully request a hearing on the above stated project regarding the reasons for the approval of this project. We request that this hearing be held in Panguitch, Utah which will bear the impact of this decision.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey and Shelli Field
6300 S. Elk Horn Road
Panguitch, UT

Alternate Address:
8670 Herrick Av
Sun Valley, CA 91352

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October 19, 2009

Subject: Decision Document and Application Approval, Alton Coal Development, LLC
Coal Hollow Project, C/025/005, Task ID #3371, Outgoing File

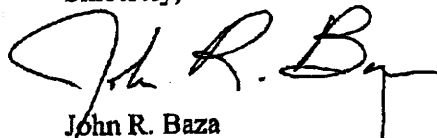
Dear Commenter:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has approved Alton Coal Development, LLC's (ACD) application for the Coal Hollow Mine with conditions. The proposed Coal Hollow Mine is a surface operation located near Alton, Utah and involves private lands and coal. This approval will allow them to mine 2,000,000 tons of coal per year for approximately three years.

You are being notified because you have previously provided comment on the application. Pursuant to R645-300-200, you may file a request for a hearing before the Board of Oil Gas and Mining regarding the reasons for the decision within 30 days of the date the applicant is notified of the decision. The 30 days request period will end November 18 at 6:00 pm. Please contact Julie Ann Carter (801.538.5277) for procedural information regarding Board filings.

A copy of the decision documents and approved Operation and Reclamation Plan are on file in the Division's offices in Salt Lake City and Price. All documents are also available for review online at <http://ogm.utah.gov/fs/filesbypermit.php?C0250005>. If you need assistance viewing or finding the information, please contact Suzanne Steab at (801) 538-5265. If you have any questions, please call Dana Dean, Associate Director, at (801) 538-5320 or Daron Haddock, Coal Program Manager, at (801) 538-5325.

Sincerely,


John R. Baza
Director

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